HB 1338 -- Teacher Certificates of License

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Modify above as follows:

New summary as follows: This bill makes several changes to the process by which teachers' licenses may be denied or disciplinary action imposed on a certificate of license holder. The bill adds deception in obtaining a license and disciplinary action on an existing license from another jurisdiction to the grounds for discretionary revocation or denial of license. The bill adds furnishing child pornography to a minor to the list of offenses that require license revocation. Under current law, the Attorney General may file charges for financially distressed districts; the bill removes the requirement that the district be financially stressed but specifies that the Attorney General will not file charges for annulment of contracts. The bill clarifies that the State Board of Education as well as the school district may file licensure charges, that cases may be settled informally by agreements or voluntary surrender of license, and that licensure decisions are subject to judicial review. The State Board may refuse to issue or renew a license or may suspend or revoke a license of a person who has surrendered his or her license or has

failed to renew it, for any of the grounds mentioned in the bill.

The bill also contains several technical changes, primarily in notification procedures.